

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – September 7, 2022

Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:01pm. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Administrative Notes: Chair Pepper mentions that there will be an executive session later on in the Board meeting, and gives a brief inventory tracking update. He also states that the Board's compliance agents are in the process of doing site visits to all applicants and licensees. Moving forward, a site visit will be necessary prior to licensure.

Chair Pepper entertains a motion to adopt the minutes from August 31st. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the minutes.

Brynn Hare then provides the staff recommendations for full licensure approval, and social equity status recommendations, as well as updates the Board on medical program statistics. The Board votes to move into executive session to discuss social equity status denials and will be joined by Xusana Davis and Jay Greene of the Vermont Office of Racial Equity. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to move into executive session at 1:10pm.

The Board returns from executive session at 1:35pm. Pepper entertains a motion to accept the staff recommendations for licensure and social equity status. Hulburd moves. Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to accept the recommendations.

At 1:37pm, the Board moves into public comment. Members of the public comment via Microsoft Teams. The Chair closes the public comment window at 1:48pm and adjourns the meeting immediately afterwards.

Video recording of September 7 Meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=udsRHxDFxzQ>

Medical Cannabis Program

8/31/22 – 9/6/22

New Patient Applications Received	Patient Renewal Applications Received	Patient Cards Issued	New Caregiver Applications Received	Caregiver Renewal Applications Received	Caregiver Applications Approved	Dispensary Employee Cards Issued
23	31	51	3	2	3	4

- Medical staff currently processing applications received on and after 8/3/2022

License Applications (as of 9/7/22)

Applying For	Submitted	Received	Under Review	Incomplete	Re-Submitted	Pending CCB Review	Approved	Issued	Withdrawn	Dismissed	Total
Employee ID Card	4	1	0	33	3	0	0	9	9	1	60
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	1	0	2	11	15	1	19	16	3	4	72
Indoor Cultivator Tier 2	0	0	0	7	4	0	2	1	2	0	16
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	1	1	0	9
Indoor Cultivator Tier 4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Indoor Cultivator Tier 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Integrated Licenses	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Manufacturers Tier 1	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
Manufacturers Tier 2	0	7	6	3	3	0	3	0	2	0	24
Manufacturers Tier 3	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	7
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	0	0	1	9	9	0	26	23	9	4	8
Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	0	0	1	0	4	2	2	2	1	0	11
Mixed Cultivator Tier 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	4
Mixed Cultivator Tier 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Mixed Cultivator Tier 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	0	0	0	9	5	1	22	52	10	3	101
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	0	0	0	1	1	0	9	6	3	1	22
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	6
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 4	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	1	7
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	4
Retailers	0	17	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	22
Testing Labs	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	5
Wholesalers	0	0	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	1	10
Total	9	31	17	79	56	5	94	121	44	21	471

Staff Recommendations for a Cannabis Establishment License

The following applicants have demonstrated compliance with all requirements for their license contained in CCB Rules 1.4 and 1.5 and 7 V.S.A. chapter 33.

Submission #	Business Name	Applying For	City	Status
S-000000380	Weed Connections	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	MENDON	Standard
S-000000641	Cremation Solutions LLC DBA Vermont Pot	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Arlington	Standard
S-000000725	Horticultural Professionals	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	Fairfax	Standard
S-000000771	DEMETERS DG, LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	Brattleboro	Standard
S-000000850	First Branch Cannabis	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	Chelsea	Standard

License Amendments (as of 9/7/22)

Applying For	Submitted	Issued	Dismissed	Total
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	0	1	1	2
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	2	1	0	3
Total	2	2	1	5

Social Equity License Applications (as of 9/7/22)

Application Status:	Submitted	Received	Under Review	Incomplete	Resubmitted	Pending Board Review	Approved	Issued	Withdrawn	Dismissed	Total
Social Equity	1	1	5	11	11	0	20	31	8	11	99

Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status Denial

1. Submission S-000000755

Staff recommends denial of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(p).